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WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

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The Hon'ble Justice Soumitra Pal, The Hon'ble Dr. Subesh Kumar Das.

Case No -<u>OA-290 of 2018.</u>

Beauty Biswas. -Vs- The State of West Bengal & Others.

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	For the Applicant: Mr. Manujendra Narayan Roy,	-
5	Mr. Gourav Haldar,	
11.01.2019.	Advocates.	
	For the Respondents: Mr. Goutam Pathak Banerjee,	
	Advocate.	
	For the Principal Accountant : Mr. Biswanath Mitra, General (A&E), West Bengal. (Departmental Representative).	
	General (A&E), West bengal. (Departmental Representative).	
	In this application Beauty Biswas - the applicant	
	has prayed for a direction upon the respondent	
	authorities to grant and disburse family pension, arrear	
	family pension and other superannuation benefits. It	
	appears that Binoy Krishna Biswas was an employee	
	under the respondent authorities and had worked as	
	Police Driver, Grade -I. He expired on 5th February, 2016	
	while in service. Be it mentioned that the first wife of the	
	deceased employee had expired on 18th October, 2006	
	and out of the first wedlock two sons were born and	
	amongst them one had expired. It appears from the	
	marriage certificate appearing at page 10 of the written	
	reply filed by the State that on 10th April, 2008 Binoy	
	Krishna Biswas had married the applicant with effect	
	from 2 nd April, 1995. It has also been mentioned in the	
	said application that a daughter Bristi Biswas was born	
	on 24th June, 1999. It also appears that while Binoy	
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<u> </u>	Krishna Biswas was alive, he had filed an application	3
	before the Superintendent of Police, North 24 Parganas	
	to enter the name of his second wife Beauty Biswas in	
	lieu of Itika Biswas, first wife as evident from page 9 of	
	the reply. Relying on the judgment passed in Sobha	
	Hymavathi Devi -Vs- Setti Gangadhara Swamy & Ors. :	
	(2005)2 SCC 244, particularly paragraph 6 thereof, it is	
	submitted by Mr. Manujendra Narayan Roy, learned	
	advocate for the applicant that assuming the applicant	
	had cohabitated with Binoy Krishna Biswas from 1995	
	till the death of the first wife, in view of the marriage	
	certificate and in view of the facts and circumstances and	
	in view of the principles of law laid down by the	
	Supreme Court, the second marriage is valid after the	
	death of the first wife.	
	Mr. Goutam Pathak Banerjee, learned advocate	
	appearing on behalf of the state respondents relying on	
	the reply submits that it is evident from the marriage	
	certificate that the Binoy Krishna Biswas had married	
	Beauty Biswas, the second wife with effect from 2 nd	
	April, 1995 that is during the subsistence of the first	
	marriage. The same issue was not in question in Sobha	
	Hymavathi Devi (supra). Moreover from the said	
	certificate that out of the said wedlock it is evident that	

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	Bristi Biswas a daughter was born on 24th June, 1999.	
	Hence, according to him the applicant is not entitled to	
	the reliefs as prayed for.	
	Mr. Biswanath Mitra, Departmental	
	Representative appearing on behalf of the Principal	
	Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal adopts with the	
	submission of Mr. Banerjee.	
	Heard learned advocates for the parties. There is	
	no dispute that the first wife of Binoy Krishna Biswas	
	had expired on 18th October, 2006. It appears from the	
	marriage certificate dated 10 th April, 2008 that Binoy	
	Krishna Biswas had married the applicant "with effect	
	from 02.04.1995", that is during the subsistence of the	
	first marriage and after the marriage Bristi Biswas was	
	born on 24 th June, 1999. The judgment in Sobha	
	Hymavathi Devi (supra) is not applicable as facts therein	
	are different. The submission on behalf of the applicant	
	to accept the marriage of the applicant after the death of	
	the first wife cannot be accepted. In view of the peculiar	
	facts of the present case, no order can be passed in this	
	application. Therefore, the application is dismissed.	
	(DR. SUBESH KUMAR DAS) (SOUMITRA PAL) MEMBER (A) CHAIRMAN	